

PRESSURE WASHING

BUILDING EXTERIORS: Buildings, Roofs, Painted Surfaces

Pressure washing can help improve the quality of our storm water by capturing and removing harmful pollutants that accumulate in our urban environment.

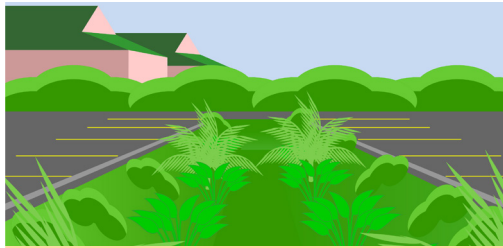
Pressure washing should not be used as a paint removal method.

WHERE SHOULD MY WASH WATER GO?

STANDARD COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

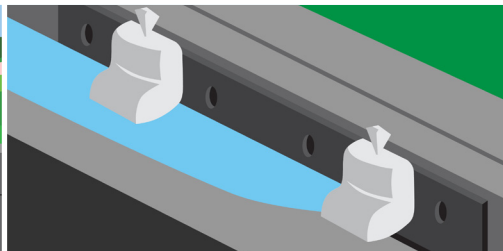
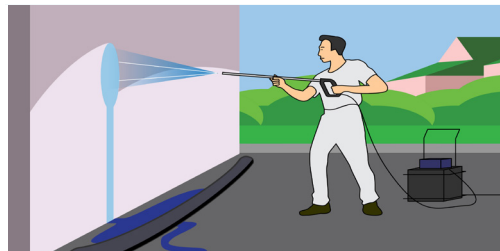


Collect wash water for disposal via a landscaped area or sanitary sewer.[†]



If disposing to a landscaped area on site, wash water must be absorbed completely.

ALTERNATE DISPOSAL: FILTRATION TO STORM DRAIN



Wash water from building exteriors may be discharged to the storm drain if:

No soaps, chemicals or detergents were used when washing, water is colorless and odorless and a lead-based paint surface was not washed.

and

Storm drain filtration measures (i.e. geotextiles) are in place to keep dirt and paint particles out.

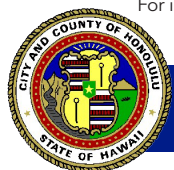
BEFORE YOU WASH

1. **Remove all visible trash, debris and dirt and dispose of properly.** Use geotextile fabric as a drop cloth to catch paint chips and particles. Washing at a low pressure setting may help to avoid removing paint and roof coating material.
2. **Install drain protection.** Identify where wash water may run off or collect and install barriers when collecting wash water or geotextile filters when disposing of wash water in the storm drain.

[†] Authorization for Disposal via Sanitary Sewer

A permit may be required for discharges of wash water to the City sanitary sewer system.

For information on discharges to the City sanitary sewer system, please call the City and County of Honolulu Department of Environmental Services (ENV) Regulatory Control Branch at 768-4108.



PROPERTY MAINTENANCE FOR STORM WATER COMPLIANCE
and our island home



Storm drain water flows untreated into our streams and ocean.

Water with soaps, detergents or other chemicals may NOT enter the storm drain.

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UNDER THE FEDERAL CLEAN WATER ACT, FINES FOR UNAUTHORIZED DISCHARGES CAN BE UP TO \$25,000 PER VIOLATION, PER DAY.

NO STORM DRAIN SYSTEM?

Water may be left to evaporate naturally in areas with no storm drain systems.

If pooling of wash water will create a health or public safety issue, it should be collected and disposed of via a wastewater treatment facility.[†]